

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CLINTON HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
AUGUST 1, 2023**

Minutes of the special meeting of the Clinton Hospital Authority, City of Clinton, Oklahoma, was held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on July 14, 2023, at 3:45 p.m.

Chairman Ken Baker called the Clinton Hospital Authority Meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. with the following present:

CHAIRMAN: Ken Baker

TRUSTEES: Kelly Cornell, Chris Jones, Kevin Wolters

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Robert Blakeburn, M.D.

EX OFFICIO TRUSTEE: Ernie Dowdell

MANAGER: Robert Johnston

CITY TREASURER: Debra Blanchard

CITY ATTORNEY: Ryan Meacham

CITY CLERK: Amy Jones

NEWS MEDIA: Nydia Campbell, Mike Smith

OTHERS: Reva Burton, Josh McGuire, Mike Thomas, Boyd Mouse, and others.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes from the July 18, 2023, Regular Meeting,
- B. Consider Claims

Motion was made by Trustee Cornell seconded by Trustee Wolter that the Consent Agenda Items be approved.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Jones, Wolters, Baker

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding:

- A. Request for Executive Session for confidential communications with its attorneys concerning initiating legal proceedings regarding the licensure of Clinton Regional Hospital, if the Trustees, with the advice of its attorneys, determine that disclosure will seriously impair its ability to process the action in the public interest, pursuant to 25 *Oklahoma Statutes*. § 307.B.4 and A.G. Opinion 05-29

Motion was made by Trustee Wolters and seconded by Trustee Jones to request Executive Session for confidential communications with its attorneys concerning initiating legal proceedings regarding the licensure of Clinton Regional Hospital, if the Trustees, with the advice of its attorneys, determine that disclosure will seriously impair its ability to process the action in the public interest, pursuant to 25 *Oklahoma Statutes*. § 307.B.4 and A.G. Opinion 05-29 at 4:02 p.m. and to invite City Manager Johnston and attorneys Boyd Mouse and Ryan Meacham to join.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Jones, Wolters, Baker

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

B. Reconvene from Executive Session

Motion was made by Trustee Wolters and seconded by Trustee Jones to reconvene from Executive Session at 4:35 p.m.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Jones, Wolters, Baker

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

C. Any Action(s) Resulting from Executive Session Discussion

Chairman Baker gave a report of no action taken.

D. Authorization for the Chairman to take all actions which might be necessary before the next regular meeting in order to obtain the operating license from the Oklahoma State Department of Health, including execution of applications, execution of agreements with the Oklahoma State Department of Health, meeting individually with counsel for the Authority, meeting with representatives of the Oklahoma State Department of Health, and litigation against the Oklahoma State Department of Health.

Following brief discussion regarding the status of the most recent license application a motion was made by Trustee Wolters and seconded by Trustee Jones to approve the authorization for the Chairman to take all actions which might be necessary before the next regular meeting in order to obtain the operating license from the Oklahoma State Department of Health, including execution of applications, execution of agreements with the Oklahoma State Department of Health, meeting individually with counsel for the

Authority, meeting with representatives of the Oklahoma State Department of Health, and litigation against the Oklahoma State Department of Health.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Jones, Wolters, Baker

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

E. Proposal from Airgas for Bulk Oxygen Medical Gas

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: NEW BUSINESS (If any, pursuant to Section 311.9 of the Oklahoma Meeting Act.)

Healthcare consultant Mike Thomas presented a proposal from Lampton for the provision of bulk medical gas for the hospital. He explained that the Airgas company that was previously presented and approved was not able to deliver to the bulk tank site without significant modifications being made to the area utilized for the bulk tank. Lampton will be able to provide the service at the designated area without any modifications or cost increases. Mr. Thomas is asking for approval of the agreement that was received late Monday afternoon (July 31, 2023) from Lampton.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Wolters to approve the Lampton agreement as presented under New Business to be brought back as a specific agenda item for approval at the next Authority meeting.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Jones, Wolters, Baker

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: MANAGEMENT COMMENTS

Mike Thomas updated the Trustees regarding upcoming agenda items, including: the lease of radiology equipment, initial staffing levels, the financial feasibility study which will be conducted after receipt of the license, medical staff coverage of the emergency room, and certification procedures for accreditation. A recommendation regarding the

acquisition of a Electronic Medical/Health Records services is being finalized. The proposed agreement is currently being reviewed by our attorneys before being brought for final approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (According to Audience Participation Decorum Guidelines at Clinton City Council Public Meetings effective: 2/14/2017)

None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Cornell and seconded by Trustee Jones to adjourn the Hospital Authority meeting.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Cornell, Jones, Wolters, Baker

Nay: None

Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Date Approved

Ken Baker, Chairman